

Dry Agent, Wed 2 Weeks, Held In Bribe Case

Detective Apprehended With Federal Officer on Charge of Taking Hush Money in 3 Brooklyn Saloons

More Arrests Promised

Accused Men Firm in Denials; Proprietors of Bar-room Make Allegations

Charged with accepting money from saloonkeepers in the Coney Island and Bay Ridge sections of Brooklyn as the price of "hushing up" violations of the prohibition law, Patrick Burke, a detective sergeant of the Butler Street station, Brooklyn, and Benson B. C. La Verty, a Federal prohibition agent, were arrested yesterday by agents of the Department of Justice.

Burke lives at 1833 West Eighth Street, Brooklyn. He is married and has no children. La Verty, who was married two weeks ago, lives at 73 Johnson Street, Brooklyn. Both were arraigned yesterday morning before United States Commissioner McCabe, in Brooklyn.

In Federal circles in Brooklyn it was said that the arrests will lead to others in which government agents will be implicated.

Dry Agent Denies Charge

La Verty, at his office in the Federal Building, Brooklyn, denied the charges against him. "They can search my record," he said, "and the more they search the better I will be pleased. I have done nothing wrong."

Burke also denied the charges. He was arrested at his home, he said, that Harry J. Walsh, a detective sergeant, would be able to assist him in proving his innocence.

The specific charges against Burke are made by Charles Carlson, a saloonkeeper at Forty-sixth Street and Sixth Avenue, Brooklyn; Andre Guthrie, a saloonkeeper at Forty-sixth Street and Seventh Avenue; and Edward Dain, proprietor of a saloon at Fifty-sixth Street and Seventh Avenue.

Carlson, it is alleged, paid the detective sergeant \$500 on July 12 to "hush up" a complaint based on alleged violations of the prohibition law. On the same day, it is charged, Burke received \$500 from Guthrie and \$250 from Dain. Archibald Wallace, an assistant of the Department of Justice, who took Burke into custody, said that Detective Sergeant Walsh accompanied Burke in visits to the three saloons. Wallace has been assigned to clean up more than a score of charges against police officers and Federal agents operating in Brooklyn.

More Arrests Expected

The complaint against La Verty was made by Daniel J. Gorman, of the Annex Hotel, in the Bowery, at Coney Island. La Verty, it is said, entered Gorman's place alone on June 1. Gorman declared that La Verty stepped up to the bar and ordered three glasses of whiskey and said that unless he received \$200 he would arrest Gorman and put the bar out of business. Gorman is charged, agreed to pay the Federal agent \$200.

It was said last night that the investigation of the activities of Federal agents will lead in a day or two to the arrest of other agents who have been "arranging things" for the advancement of liquor traffic in Brooklyn.

Burke has been a member of the Police Department eleven years. He was a member of the detective squad and broke into the "white hand" gang of the Gowanus Canal district several years ago.

Mollie Steimer May Be Freed To Be Deported

Abrams, Lipman and Lachowsky Also to Get Conditional Pardons, Says Attorney

The pardon of Mollie Steimer, Jacob Abrams, Samuel Lipman and Hyman Lachowsky, anarchists, now serving long prison terms, is forecast in a statement issued last night by Henry Weinberger, their attorney. Mr. Weinberger says he has been informed by E. P. Stewart, First Assistant Attorney General, that it is to be granted upon the recommendation of the Attorney General.

The condition of the pardons, according to Mr. Weinberger, is that the prisoners will submit to deportation, leave the country at their own expense. Mollie Steimer is serving a fifteen-year Federal sentence in the state prison at Jefferson City, Mo. Abrams, Lipman and Lachowsky are serving twenty-year sentences in the Federal prison at Atlanta. They were convicted on charges of distributing literature opposing American military intervention in Russia.

The Political Prisoners' Defense and Relief Committee, of 837 Broadway, is raising the funds necessary to pay the traveling expenses of the four prisoners, according to Weinberger. Mollie Steimer, although admitting she is an anarchist, has refused to consent to deportation on the ground that individuals have the right to live anywhere.

\$118,000 Securities Stolen

Clerk, 28, Held in \$100,000 Bail for Examination To-morrow

Anthony Colonna, twenty-eight years old, a clerk of 341 East Ninth Street, was held in \$100,000 bail when arraigned yesterday in Tombs Court on charges of stealing securities with suspicion of the theft of securities valued at about \$118,000.

Colonna was arraigned by Detective Isaac Mindheim, of Second Deputy Police Commissioner William J. Lahey's staff. Mindheim claimed that he had been informed by Harriman & Co., of 111 Broadway, that on March 19, 200 shares of A. G. & W. stock, 500 shares of Chicago Copper stock, 500 shares of Nipissing and 400 shares of Chicago Pneumatic Tool stock.

Deputy Assistant District Attorney Alexander Lehman said that the defendant had tried to dispose of some of the stolen bonds. Colonna denied this. He will be given an examination to-morrow.

Indian Fighter Is Freed

Richard Lacey, an Irishman, seventy-eight, who fought Indians with the United States cavalry sixty years ago, was released from Ellis Island yesterday after a detention of three months. After two detentions with the army he returned to Ireland, and came back last May to make this country his home. He was detained as one who was likely to become a public charge.

A brother and a nephew recently appeared in New York. The brother had entered the country under bond for six months. Because of his service in the Indian campaigns the old man probably will receive full citizenship.

Commodore Hylan Reviews City's New Flivver Fleet

Two Fail to Cross the Line, but Remaining 23 Make Good Time on Windward Course; Strict Rules Govern Behavior of Skippers and Passengers

Twenty-three out of a possible fleet of twenty-five municipal taxicabs to be used by city employees below the rank of commissioner were officially reviewed yesterday by Mayor Hylan.

While Hylan occupied a conspicuous place on the well-worn steps of City Hall, the fleet of flivvers beat a windward course across the park and came to anchor in the lee of the Municipal Building.

Although there was only a moderate ground swell disturbing the surface of City Hall when the flivver fleet got under way, two of the starters failed to start and will probably be sent to dry-dock repairs. Trouble is said to have developed in their throat halyards just as the rest of the fleet went over the line with their headlights in stops. The fleet, which sailed from the Municipal Building at 10:15, was composed of 23 flivvers and 23 drivers. The flivvers were seen to point high with leg and were seen to point high with their Hylan club topsails and Whalen reaching jibs drawing well.

Sleer Over Circuitous Course

Before the fleet engaged in the windward thrash across City Hall Park each flivver was steered over a circuitous course on Lafayette Street for the purpose of setting its compass. While the flivvers themselves point high in going into the wind the compasses are reported to point considerably lower than those used on the old fleet of municipal buses that formerly tied up at the moorings at the mouth of City Hall Place.

The new flivvers have rakish lines. The hull is painted red, while the superstructure is black. One expert said that they had been designed by Nat Herreshoff, but investigation showed that the architect came from the port of Detroit.

As the fleet was reviewed by Mayor Hylan the skipper of each flivver blew three fog horn blasts in salute. The skippers were arrayed in stream-line alpaca dusters of funeral aspect and they kept their eyes glued to a set of rules and regulations posted on a forward bulkhead. These rules specified that skippers were not to smoke while at the wheel and that sleeping while under way was strictly prohibited.

In the cabin or cockpit of each flivver there is a set of rules governing the behavior of the passengers. Paragraph 3 states that "Gentlemen when seated must keep their feet on the floor." This applies only to gentlemen and it is not to be given too wide an interpretation.

There is no rule providing for what gentlemen shall do with their feet when not seated, and it is presumed that the passenger may do anything with them that seems convenient. They will not be permitted to hang them out of the portholes, whether seated or unseated, it was said at City Hall last night.

Fleet Anchors at Municipal Building

The flivver fleet will be found at the north end of the Municipal Building and a uniformed dispatcher will be in charge for the purpose of setting courses and hoisting the postponement signal in case of calms or excessive winds.

The new flivvers take the place of the old department cars, and, according to Grover Whalen, Commissioner of Plant and Structures, they will give greater service at a considerably reduced cost.

Under the old service, Commissioner Whalen said yesterday, the machines averaged one 1000 hours a year. The present fleet is expected to maintain an average of 2,000 hours.

With its heterogeneous population and its long history of unrestricted drinking, it is becoming increasingly friendly to prohibition because of the good things that have followed in its wake in the way of savings, the paying of debts, the buying of homes, the emptying of jails, almshouses, and asylums, and employment.

There is a much steadier tone in workmanship all around. New York will experience the same thing. However, we may differ on this question of personal liberty, the people generally are finding that prohibition is conferring a larger degree of personal liberty upon them than the old hedonistic days.

"Prohibition, as a whole," continued Commissioner Kramer, "has been highly successful, considering that new laws of such a nature are always bound to confer. Before the prohibition law went into effect there were 130,000,000 gallons of strong spirits consumed annually in this country. The consumption for the last six months has been 15,000,000 gallons."

"After all, it is only a question of reconciling oneself to the fact that absolute abstinence is a personal benefit and the economic strength of the nation is being greatly augmented by the new order of things. Bank clearings show the savings which are being effected every day and the merchants of the country report that cash sales have increased since the prohibition amendment went into effect. I am also in a position to state that prohibition has greatly increased the number of home owners; that the nation and the population, generally, is giving the government a hearty co-operation in the enforcement of the laws."

More Smallpox Cases Here

Two more cases of smallpox in New York City have been discovered by the Department of Health, according to Dr. Royal S. Copeland, Health Commissioner. This brings the total number of cases to seven. All victims are under treatment at North Brother's Island.

The new cases are so-called secondary cases. The victims are believed to have become infected as a result of being near a woman who came to New York from Charleston, S. C., and who developed the disease after her arrival.

Bedtime Stories

Lessons in Play

By Thornton W. Burgess

Then making it a part of play.

—Peter Rabbit.

Every one who would live to grow up and go out into the Great World must learn a great many things. Whoever refuses to learn will not live long, or if he does manage to live will get few of the good things of life. The more one knows the better fitted he becomes to get the best from life and to make a place for himself in the Great World.

But little folks don't always understand this and often could much rather play than try to learn things. Now about you? Don't you find it so? But much may be learned in play, and lessons in play are the easiest to remember. Peter Rabbit has learned this. He knows this. They were taught many things in just this way when they were little. So, just as soon as their six babies were big enough to run about and kick up their heels, Peter told them that he would teach them many important things for young Rabbits to know. All the time those six lively youngsters thought they were just playing.

Those lesson games were the same games with which Peter and Mrs. Peter had taught their first family of four to fit themselves to go out into the Great World and make homes for themselves. The first was called "Following Mamma's Tail." Sometimes Mrs. Peter would play it with just one. You know her tail is white, just like a snowflake. The game was played when the Black Shadows had wrapped the dear Old Briar-patch in darkness. She would start out with one of her babies at her heels, telling him to keep his eyes on her tail and never take them off. Then she would lead him about through the darkest parts of the dear Old Briar-patch, keeping far enough ahead so that all he could see would be her tail. As long as he kept his eyes on that he had no trouble. But if he forgot and allowed his eyes to wander the white spot would disappear and he would be lost and frightened. To a baby Rabbit even the dear Old Briar-patch was a big and fearsome place to be lost in the dark. So it seldom happened to any of them more than once.

Sometimes she would take all six. Then it was great fun. The first would watch Mrs. Peter's tail, the next one would watch the tail of the first one, and so on. Mrs. Peter would try to fool them by making sudden turns. But it was long before they began to get lost. They were so long to longer to be fooled; they could follow her anywhere. It was a great game.

Coughlin Baby Clew Obtained From Arrest

Capture of Man Accused of Writing Money Demands May Help in Recovery of the Kidnaped Child

Trail Leads to Pittsburgh

Federal Authorities Refuse to Give Out Information on Identity of Prisoner

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 3.—Postal inspectors who admitted to-day they arrested a man at Egg Harbor, N. J., yesterday in connection with the kidnaping of the eighteen-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Coughlin, of Norristown, Pa., on June 2, expressed the opinion they had the right man. All efforts to learn the identity of the prisoner, who is said to be a foreigner, or where he is being held, have proved unavailing, the government agents refusing to furnish any further information regarding the case.

Neither the Coughlin family nor Norristown authorities have been advised of the arrest and they declared they knew nothing of it except what they had read in the newspapers.

Chief Postal Inspector George Leonard, of the Philadelphia district, said he believed the arrest would eventually lead to the recovery of the missing child.

The man under detention is declared to be the one who wrote a half dozen letters to the parents of the child, demanding \$12,000 be left under a deserted trolley station at Swedeland, near Norristown, as a ransom for the return of the child.

Coughlin followed the instructions by leaving the money at the designated place at midnight, June 14, believing the money would be delivered to him. He was accurately described the room from which the child was taken. The money disappeared and nothing further was heard from "The Crank" until last week, when the family received a letter making further demands.

Chief Inspector Leonard is quoted as saying that he was more interested in the recovery of the child than in the immediate punishment of the kidnapers.

It is said the postal authorities are holding the man on charges of violating the postal laws, and that if sufficient evidence is obtained to connect him with the actual kidnaping he will be turned over to the Montgomery County police to answer the charge of kidnaping.

Leonard said inspectors are now running out clues leading to the whereabouts of the child. One inspector was sent to Pittsburgh.

Park Bench Home for Mother and Child 5 Days

Young Woman, Unwed, Tells Court She Has No Home nor Money; Relatives Refuse Aid

A green bench in the little park at Amsterdam Avenue and 136th Street was "home" to Nellie Kelly and her infant for five days and nights. They slept on the bench because they had no other place to go. Yesterday the young mother, when arraigned in Washington Heights court, explained why.

Clad in rags and clinging to the soft bundle that she carried in her arms, Nellie presented a pathetic sight as she walked somewhat shakily into the court. Her garments were frayed and stringy, but her baby was wrapped in a blanket. It was wrapped in a rubber blanket. This blanket had served to protect it from the dew during its entire residence on the park bench.

Nellie told a straightforward story to Magistrate Raphael Tobias. She said that because she was unmarried she had no home, no money, no friends and that her relatives had refused to assist her. As she testified she tightened her fingers around the little bundle and an attempt would be made to take the baby.

Nellie's stay on the park bench would likely have been considerably longer had not her presence attracted the attention of William Moore, of the Children's Society. He made a charge of emergency against her. Magistrate Tobias held her young woman for a hearing to-day, pending an investigation. Nellie gave her age as twenty-four. The baby is five weeks old.

Weather Report

Sun rises at 4:54 a. m. Sun sets at 7:00 p. m. Moon rises at 8:20 a. m. Moon sets at 10:25 p. m.

Notes: The above figures are standard time and not New York State time.

Local Forecast: Fair today and probably tomorrow, with rising temperature; variable winds.

Local Official Record: The following official record shows temperatures during the past twenty-four hours in connection with the corresponding date of last year.

1920, 1919	1920, 1919
3 a. m. 67 67	3 p. m. 73 73
6 a. m. 69 69	6 p. m. 70 70
9 a. m. 69 69	9 p. m. 70 70
12 noon 68 68	12 noon 68 68

Highest, 76 degrees (at 6:55 p. m.); low, 62 (at 5:10 a. m.). Average for the year, 69.4; for the month, 69.4.

Humidity: 75.1 p. m. 67.8 p. m. 62.

Barometer Readings: 30.14 1 p. m. 30.14 3 p. m. 30.17.

General Weather Conditions: WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—An anticyclone high over the Middle West and the states and in the south Atlantic states, and the Rocky Mountain and plain regions, with the greatest depression of the barometer over the North Atlantic. A pressure distribution has been attended by a continuation of moderate temperatures throughout the Eastern and Middle West, and by the northern plains states, the northern Rocky Mountain region and the Pacific states.

There have been showers within the last twenty-four hours on the New England coast and in the south Atlantic states, and at widely scattered points in the Rocky Mountain and plain regions of the Middle West. To other parts of the country the weather remained fair.

The outlook is for cloudy, showery weather, Wednesday and Thursday in the south Atlantic states and the Middle West, and for fair weather in the northern plains states, the northern Rocky Mountain region and the Pacific states.

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10.4x8.6 ft. \$375	8.9x5.7 ft. \$163
11.3x8.5 ft. \$382.50	7.7x5.2 ft. \$190
11.10x8.3 ft. \$392.50	6.10x5.2 ft. \$190
12x9.2 ft. \$425	7.7x5.2 ft. \$200
12x8.9 ft. \$425	8.9x5.7 ft. \$216
12.7x9.5 ft. \$475	10.7x6 ft. \$250
12.3x10.1 ft. \$475	7.9x5.5 ft. \$250
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